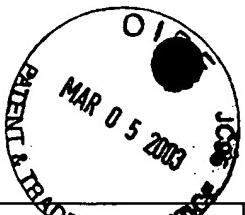


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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal	Application No.:	09/611,562
	Filing Date:	July 7, 2000
	First Named Inventor:	MASAHIRO KOBAYASHI
	Group Art Unit:	3743
	Examiner:	DUONG, THO V.
	Attorney Docket No.:	JCLA6244-C1-R

This is a **Request for Continued Examination (RCE)** under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114.

a. Previously submitted

- () Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
 () Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

b. Enclosed

- (X) Preliminary Amendment.
 () Other _____

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. () Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
 b. () Associate Power of Attorney.

3. Fees are calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
NUMBER FILED	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
Basic Fee			\$ 750	\$ 750	
Total Claims	7 MINUS 20	= 0 x	\$ 18	= \$ 0	
Independent Claims	3 MINUS 3	= 0 x	\$ 84	= \$ 0	
[3] month(s) extension of time is hereby requested.				Time Extension Fee	= \$ 930
					Total: \$ 1680

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